

Shaker Far Behind in War Stamp Sale

So far this semester Shaker has gone over the top in all of her drives except the War Bond drive and certainly this can be a success if everyone does his part. Fifty cents has been set as the minimum quota for War Bond purchases per person each week, but so far we have fallen far below this mild quota. If each person invested just fifty cents in War Bonds each week that would mean that nearly five hundred dollars would be collected each week. This money could purchase four sub-machine guns or two parachutes or seven Garand rifles or more than three hundred fifty gas masks and countless other essential military equipment.

Even buying a ten cent War Stamp is a tremendous help, for a stamp of this denomination can buy a clip of five bullets for an army rifle, enough to exterminate five more Japs or Nazis. A ten cent stamp can also pay for enough oxygen to keep a bomber pilot high above most enemy pursuit planes for forty minutes or it can buy a weather balloon to measure the upper air currents. One twenty-five cent stamp will buy twelve bandages or film for an aerial photograph. Two twenty-five cent stamps will buy enough fuel to drive a destroyer one mile; six twenty-five cent stamps will buy one hand-grenade; twenty twenty-five cent stamps will buy one bayonet, and so on indefinitely. But as yet we are not in sight of our five hundred dollar a week goal. An average taken of five previous weeks shows that only slightly over two hundred dollars is being invested in War Bonds weekly. In other words, in those five weeks we have contributed nearly half of what we should have given in four weeks!

This situation must change. Other schools are averaging more than fifty cents per person weekly and certainly we can too—so come on Shaker, let's push this War Bond drive over the top!

Air Corps Offers Weather Course

Kenyon and Denison Colleges, with others in the country, are presenting to students interested in Math and Science, particularly Physics, an Aviation Cadet "C" premeteorological training course. It guarantees twenty months' study in an undergraduate college as a Class A aviation student with free living, free tuition, and regular army private pay of \$50. After this is completed the student receives eight months' training in a graduate school of meteorology with pay of \$75. At the conclusion of the course he becomes a second lieutenant on active duty as weather officer in the United States Army Air Corps Reserve.

Demerits Threat to School Population

Girls, do you feel that the draft is making great inroads on the available supply of manpower? Well, here is news of some more sabotaging of said supply, coming right from the heart of Shaker.

If the males of this school continue piling up demerits at their present clip, 195 boys will have been suspended one month before the close of school.

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7050 'A' waiting 'Bus' Staggered

Either eagerness to do their patriotic duty or the urge to get their signing up over prompted the deluge of people who registered for gas rationing on Wednesday, November 18. Approximately 4000, or more than twice as many as were expected, registered on this date.

On the three days set aside for registering, November 18, 19, and 20, approximately 7050 persons in Shaker received their basic rationing book, that is, book A for passenger cars and book D for motorcycles. Few books were withheld because of extra tires, thanks to a newly innovated form.

The entire Shaker system of teachers, consisting of about 200 persons, plus some from Laurel and Hathaway Brown schools, volunteered their services as checkers and registrars. In addition many student volunteers were used as assistants.

The following letter of appreciation from A. K. Loomis, superintendent of Shaker Schools, was received by "Uncle Bus" Thrailkill, who organized both student and teacher volunteers:

Dear Mr. Thrailkill: Will you express my appreciation to the students who assisted in gasoline rationing for the fine service which they rendered to the community. Again their efficiency and courtesy met the need even under the trying conditions which faced us because of the heavy registration on the first day. Their acceptance of this responsibility is another indication of the fine loyalty of Shaker students to the nation under war conditions.

Sincerely,
Arthur K. Loomis

Appears to Sing Gilbert, Sullivan



Warren Lee Terry, renowned singer, will perform selections from his repertoire of Gilbert and Sullivan operas in an assembly Monday, December 7.

Mr. Terry made his debut at Steinway Hall in 1926. He has sung in light and grand opera roles throughout the United States and Europe. At present he sings operatic roles, directs opera, and lectures.

Barbara Dennison will accompany him on the piano and Barbara Brett, who had a leading part in the operetta Pirates of Penzance, produced last year, will sing, with Mr. Terry, an aria from Penzance.

Sign Up 18 Year Olds Dec. 11-31

Registration of eighteen-nineteen year olds will begin December 11 and continue throughout this month. Schedule of registration is as follows:

Date of Birth	Date of Registration
July 1-Aug. 31, 1924	Dec. 11-17
Sept. 1-Oct. 31, 1924	Dec. 18-24
Nov. 1-Dec. 31, 1924	Dec. 25-31

Those who will become eighteen on or after January 1, 1943, will register on their birthdays. If their birthdays fall on Saturday or Sunday, they will register the following Monday. Deferments for the remainder of this school year (until graduation in June, 1943) or until mid-year graduation on January 27, 1943, will be granted to bona fide high school students who submit a written request for such.

Ushers Give Dance

Friday, December 11, the Congressional Club will hold its first dance of the season. There will probably be three dances held this year: one after the Lorain basketball game, one after the Shaw game and one after the Heights game.

The dances will be simple sport affairs designed for entertainment rather than money-making. The decorations will be simple and the music will be furnished by recordings. Refreshments will be served.

I. C. C. to Begin New Era Next Year

Upon a thorough investigation of the numerous rules and regulations governing the so-called social clubs of Shaker, the Shakerite herewith attempts to present a clear picture of the situation to date. The school board's solicitor has located a list of six practices, which, if employed by social clubs, make them legally sororities or fraternities. Since many of the clubs have been engaging in these activities they have been given till January 1 to "cease and desist."

After January 1 members of clubs engaging in the following activities will be suspended from extra-curricular activities having any secrecy concerning meetings, name, or proceedings, using Greek letters in the name; having a formal initiation for new members; having a period of pledging, admitting new members except by a majority vote; and rushing 10B's.

All information in this article is subject to change without notice. Paul Weisman has something to do with the I. C. C. No one knows just what.

Open House Hits Home

"Because of gas rationing and the tire shortage we have planned more activities to be held right here at school," said Alan Kortz in regard to the open house.

Since the open house of November 20 was deemed successful three more such nights have been scheduled for the rest of the school year. They will be continued as long as the students show enough interest to make them worth while.

Vacation Schedule

Christmas Holiday—Wednesday, Dec. 23 to Monday, Jan. 4
First Semester Closes... Jan. 22
Second Semester Opens... Jan. 25
Washington's Birthday... Feb. 22



Music Makers Heil in Fuehrer's Face Tonite

by Lydia Rydholm

Tonight the band and A Cappella join to give the community of Shaker Heights their second annual combined concert, and it promises to be outstanding. These two organizations have been preparing for this fall debut from the time the Parent's Music Committee suggested the idea to them. The numbers of both band and chorus are a mixture of publicly well-known and musically well-known selections. The particular highlight of the evening will be the combining of the two organizations to sing first, a tribute to the memory of George M. Cohan, and second, a glorious anthem of America written by Noble Cain.

A feature of the A Cappella part of the program will be the double quartet work done in antiphonal style with the choir on "Men and Angel Sing, Hallelujah!" Other numbers will be the Arensky "Bow Down Thy Ear," "I Hear Along the Street," a Bach chorale, and the favorite of the Lake Erie League Festival last year, George Strickling's "Stodola Pumpa." The selection that Mrs. Evans hopes will be a favorite is "The Day of Judgment" by Arkhangelsky. In this piece of Russian origin, the bass section will have an opportunity to show itself as well as to accompany.

The band will play the beloved "Emperor Waltz" of Johann Strauss, and the standard symphonic work of all concert, Beethoven's "Egmont Overture." The "Andante Cantabile" from Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5 will have as soloists Bertrand Chernin on French horn and Fred Bell on oboe. Bert played with the Cleveland Orchestra at its recent Detroit engagement.

Two novelty numbers that everyone will look forward to are "Three Blind Mice at a Night Club Floor Show," and "Der Fuehrer's Face," which comes from the new Walt Disney comedy.

CHRISTMAS SEALS



Protect Your Home from Tuberculosis

Christmas Seal Sale On to Fight T. B.

For thirty years the Anti-Tuberculosis League of Cuyahoga County has been fighting a battle against tuberculosis. The continued efforts of this organization are helping to bring about the centralization of tuberculosis control among the six county health districts and the establishment of a coordinated system.

The League's health car, equipped with X-ray and fluoroscope, has examined 9,443 school children and adults in its search for the early stage in tuberculosis. It was indeed a milestone when the 100,000th chest examination was recorded this summer.

In addition to this, the League has shown five educational films to several thousand school children, thus supplying them with needed information about tuberculosis and enabling them to protect themselves against the disease.

These surveys are made possible only by the financial support obtained from the sale of Christmas Seals.

Takes Turkey With Wife

Junior high science teacher Ray Nicholson was married on Thanksgiving morning. Manuel Kuechle was best man. With his wife, Elizabeth Berry of Dayton, Ohio, "Nick" will live in Cleveland until his induction into the army this month.

UNDER the new demerit system the boosters have been given the authority to give demerits to people who violate the hall rules and regulations, yet the boosters themselves are the most frequent violators of the rules they are supposed to be enforcing.

The booster system is not at fault. The booster captains and the vice-president are trying their best to keep the boosters at their posts instead of wandering around the halls and congregating in various hallways, but they are reluctant to give demerits to the boosters who do so. The boosters are taking unsportsmanlike advantage of this and are continually leaving their posts although they have been asked repeatedly, in a fair manner, not to.

Not only do they commit an offense by leaving their post, but they also lose all right to judge the offenses of others. If we are going to have any semblance of a student hallguard system the boosters must themselves support it. If we are not to, the boosters will be returned to study hall and some other form of regulation will probably be put into effect which will not entrust any degree of authority or responsibility to the students.

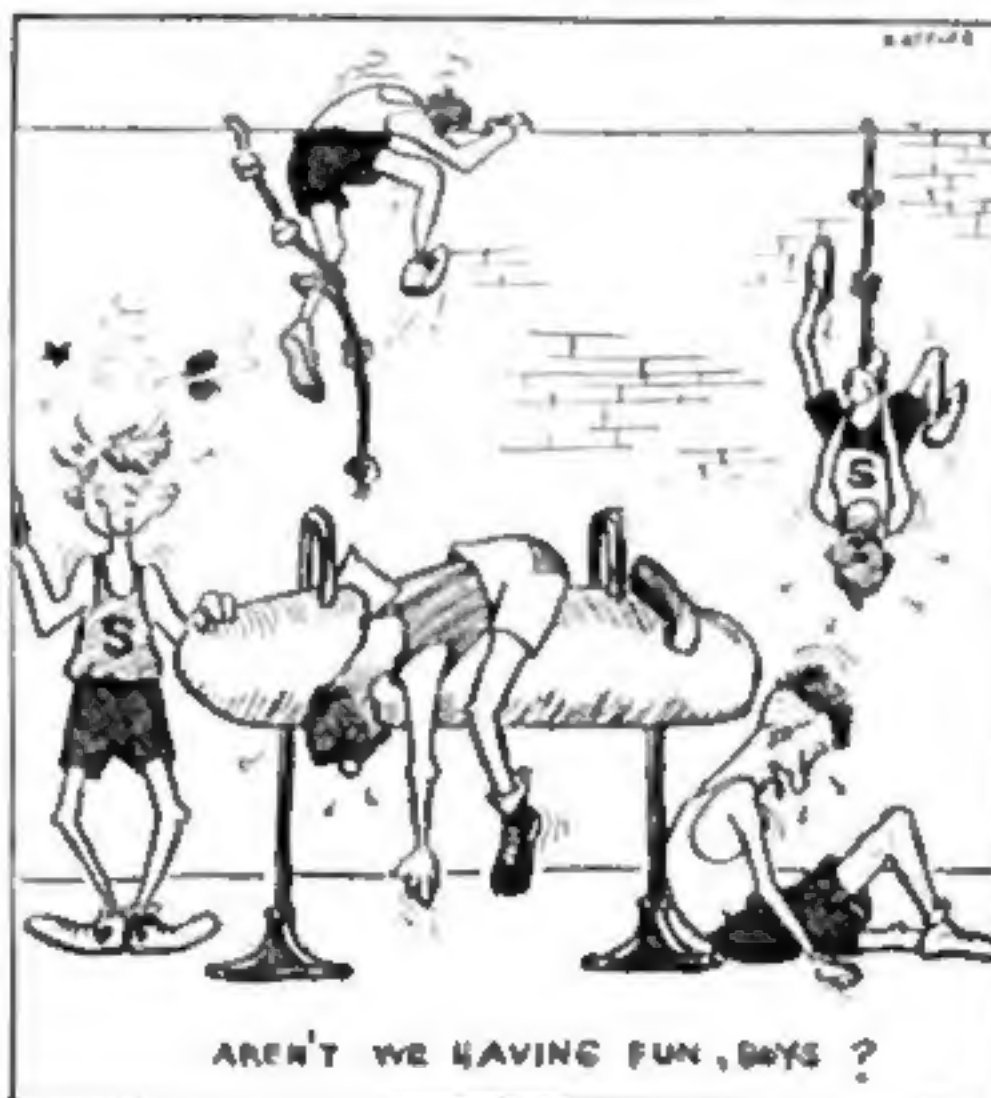
BECAUSE of the war many changes and inconveniences are necessary, but there is no reason why these inconveniences should be unnecessarily aggravated.

Things are coming to a pretty pass when official automatons, although they are engaged in work which must and should be done but which nevertheless entails no thought except to clerical details, try to stifle creative effort even though they are carrying on their activities in the very cradle of creative expression, which they have entered uninvited, and unwanted if they continue to deal in such a high-handed and thoughtless manner.

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FIASCO BY FISKE

General John Harbourt (the guy has a priority on this column) has been showing his sixth period class pictures of his daughter and telling them her name is Historia. With a father like that it should be Hysteria.

Virginia Myers, daughter of Doc, is getting a Senior education second period in Mrs. Gunn's office from those discussions lead by D. Pearl Kutis and Hugh J. Leslie.

And speaking of Hugh J. — where does he get those brilliant chemistry answers?

It seems all her classes except the first period got a chance to view Miss Wickwire's cat. Personally, I feel left out of the frolic.

Pearls of wisdom, always let a man know where he stands, or he won't be standing there long.

Isn't it wonderful the interest those two busy senior-A's, Jerry Rini and George Johnston, are taking in the 10-B's?

Stanton Felder proposed to Francis Van Cleve and she accepted.

Don Kranze proposed to Francis Van Cleve and she accepted.

Dick Murphy proposed to Frances Van Cleve and she accepted.

Newton's Thirty-Third Law—the dimmer the porch light, the greater the scandal power. (Courtesy of the Rabbit.)

Remember the cat called Dillinger? They called it Dilley for short.

John Gleason and Jean Nowak carry their feud right into history class, don't they? Makes it nice, 'cause then Ronnie Licht, Bob Clapp, Johnny Sedlak, and several hundred other people can get in on it, too.

That sensational creep-on part of Bruce Narten's in "The Black Flamingo" was played by Bill Walton. Those whiskers had us all fooled.

Latest excuse for tardiness to school I had grapenuts for breakfast and you know how grapenuts are. (More courtesy of the Rabbit; ought to let the blighter write this column.)

And while Bruce McCrae suffers through a feminine French class, Elfriede Gehring is just as miserable (that's what she keeps telling 'em down at the office) in a German class dominated by the mighty male.

Enlightening statements: David Toll when giving a report in English upon the merits of "Bambi" remarked, "I think Bambi is the best thing I've seen since 'Dumbo.'"

BUY WAR BONDS

Alumni News

Chuck Campbell is "stuffing himself with 'vitamin A'" so that he can pass the eye-sight exam. He is now stationed at Keesler Field, Miss. In his letter Chuck said, "To get back to the point, the army is bound to do every-one good in some way, even if it changes the fellows in others. Possibly it will change a few of the self-centered, egotistical Shakerites into human beings."

Marilyn Mills has taken on household duties with William Welty, a student at Ohio State University.

Jack Spurney has distinguished himself already at Wooster by becoming one of the two representatives to the student Senate for the freshman class.

Herbert Warden, a 1938 graduate of Shaker, will graduate from Washington and Jefferson next month. He will enter Chicago Medical School in March.

Bob Colquhoun and Mary Ellen Andrew, both graduates of Shaker, have joined hearts permanently.

Bob's brother, Norman, seems to go in for more scholarly feats. He is now a member of Phi Beta Kappa at Amherst College.

Bill Mapes ranked second in the Natural Science test at Colgate.

Jean Boughton is so proficient in English that she was exempted from freshman English at Pembroke College.

Jim Graham, a graduate of the 1941 class, promises to relate some "interesting experiences" he has had with the Nazis. He has visited S. America and Iceland, and will undoubtedly have many daring exploits to reveal.

Dave Thrallkill is now pledging Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Alyn Benson was best man at the marriage of his brother, Keith Stone Benson to Jean Maralyn Sprague.

Ken Lynn is continuing his journalistic work on the Harvard Crimson.

Lieut. Robert W. Clements was in the graduating class of 1942 bombardiers on Oct. 10, at William's Army Flying School in Chandler, Arizona. He visited Shaker with Lieut. Fryer.

Maj. Cool, an alumni of Shaker, took a leading part in an attack over France. He is commander of a squadron of Liberators.

Elizabeth Clement is now Mrs. Carl G. McCulloch.

Suzanne Harsh is now Mrs. Thomas Rogstad.

Kevin Cochrane, Shaker '40, reported for Naval Aviation Flight Training at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., on Oct. 14. After three successful months of preliminary training at this school, he will be commissioned as an Ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve, receive his "wings" as a Naval Aviator, and be assigned to duty with the fleet.

Mellor Stevenson, first lieutenant in the Air Corps, is Aid to General Arnold in Washington.

John Paul Miller has been at Fort Knox, Kentucky since June, 1941. He is Staff Sergeant in The Headquarters Co. of the Armored Force in charge of illustrating the books of information and publications sent out all over the country regarding the Armored Force.

Ensign Alvin N. Haas has realized his wish in the naming of an aircraft carrier. He hoped that some ship might be called Yorktown after the craft which he was on was sent down by Jap bombers.

Personality Parade

"If I just had about twelve more hours to the day I might be able to get all my work done!" This is the constant cry of Dorothy King as she goes from class to class and job to job. But one would think from this that she had something to really worry about as to grades, and she doesn't. If teachers don't fail her this last semester she is in school, that A average will be complete, except as Dorothy puts it, "that awful B I got in Spanish last June."

This year she has tackled a big job as chairman of the War Stamps and Bonds sold in the cafeteria each noon. Any evening after school, in any kind of weather, you may see her boarding her bike and heading for the post office to make some purchases from Uncle Sam. Please note that every penny has been accounted for since the beginning of this year's sales, not implying anything, but saying it's a darn good trick if you can do it.

When asked just what clubs and interests she had around school she replied hesitatingly, "Well, technically, I'm a member of the Shakerite," then laughingly repeated, "only technically. Then last year I kept the minutes of the Pan American League—in Spanish!" I happen to know she likes horseback riding and was a member of the Boots and Saddles Club last year, also the Meriam Stage League.

Don't look now, but it's Dorothy that corrects some of General's S.Q.N.'s.

Goerge Johnson is one of the most outstanding seniors in Shaker. Although he is rather cold and retiring his best friend says of him, "He isn't as tough as he looks."

His chief scholastic interest is science and he is taking plane geometry, solid geometry, and chemistry. This year he is an assistant in the chemistry lab. And also (this isn't official), he is Mr. Henry's assistant in 10A typing. He's the man who keeps pesty girls from bothering Mr. Henry.

He is a member of the Science Club, Student Council, and serves on the War Activities Committee.

This summer his time was occupied at blue printing. His hobby is collecting popular records, of which he has about 125. His other spare time activities is being with his BIG MOMENT, Joyce Brenneman. The sight of them walking home from school together is well known to most Shakerites.

After graduation Goerge intends to join the Marine Corps, and as soon as the war is over he's likely to go to Purdue University to major in metallurgical engineering.

McDuff Says

By Kortz

A week ago we were finishing up the last of the Thanksgiving turkey and in three weeks we'll be doing the same with the Christmas bird. A few weeks ago our football team closed its season and now we're waiting for the mid-year sports to start theirs. Judging from these two facts, you might think that school activities were somewhat at a standstill and that the good old Shaker spirit could take a rest for a while. If you're of this opinion, snap out of it! Each one of us has a big job to do today; that job is to see that we, and all of our friends, attend the band and choir concert tonight at 8 p. m.

We backed the football team admirably and we've done a fine job on our various campaigns; now let's show the music department that we're behind them too. It's an indisputable fact that our band sounds better this year than it has for a long time and that, because of this, it has added pep and zip to our rallies and games. Each member of the band and choir is doing his best to further the name of Shaker. It's our job to show them that we appreciate it.

I don't think that it's right to ask someone to do a thing just because it's the right thing to do, so let's put it this way—all loyal Shakerites will be at the concert tonight. Does that include you?

Cagers Travel to Berea Tonight; Meet Lorain Here Next Friday

by Vic Gelb

A rejuvenated, and fighting bunch of Shaker High basketballers have no common feat to accomplish this season, for the lot has fallen to them, the 1942-43 edition of the Red Raiders, to crack a humiliating twenty-six game losing streak, which has plagued them ever since December, 1940. The Raiders are favored to split the jinx wide open this year, because of their new spirit and for the simple reason that they can't get all the bad breaks.

Tonight, the team travels to Berea, for their first start of the season, and if the loss of Tom Phillips, and Don Mohr means as much to Berea's basketball team as it did to their football team, the Raiders will be highly favored.

Head Coach Jack Rafeld and Coach Bill Bunn have introduced a new basketball system to Shaker, from which they hope to reap rewards. They are having a combined Varsity and Reserve squad, while farming prospects out to three divisions, A, B, and C. The main purpose behind this system is to develop material, and to give everyone a chance to advance himself in basketball. The success of this system cannot be told in one month, or maybe not in a season, but it is certain to do some good.

Shaker has but two returning lettermen, forward Bill Oster, and center Don Kranze, but Coach Rafeld also has Pat Day, Chuck Longo, George Sternad, and Ed Benes back from last season's varsity. Other members of this year's squad are Cliff Carlin, Dick Enright, Bob Freed, Jim Faragher, Jim Hays, Ed John, Bob Johnson, Bob (X) Lax (Bob played Reserve ball for Shaw last season), Emil

Misko, Bruce Mullan, Allen Roberts, Iggy Sanna, and John Weizer.

When asked for his opinion of the team Head Mentor Rafeld replied, "We have a group of very hard working, and earnest boys, and for the first time in five years, we have a little welcome height. The boys are not there every night striving to give the school something to cheer about."

It is doubtful whether Pat Day or Iggy Sanna will be ready for the Berea game. Pat has a sprained ankle, hurt in the first week of practice and Iggy has an injured right knee, which he received late in the football season.

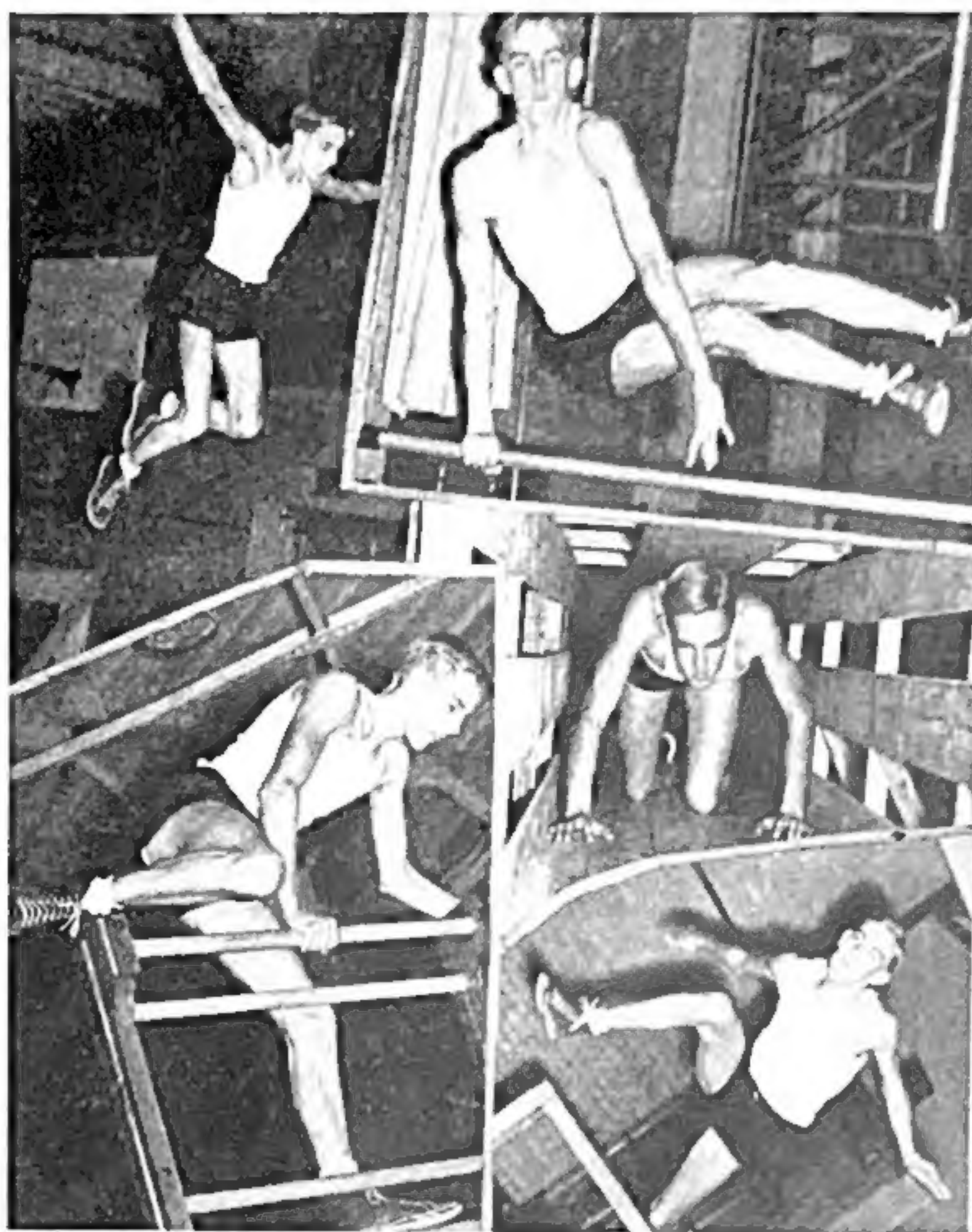
Grunt-Groan Men Meet Adams Here

Led by Co-Captains Ignatius Russo and Al Kortz the Shaker mat men open the regular season when John Adams visits on December 10 after a practice meet at Rhodes on December 3.

Although many of last year's stars were lost by graduation, every weight will be filled by a grappler with at least one year's experience. Besides Kortz and Russo the two returning lettermen, there is also Bob Rehark, wrestling at 127 lbs., Joe Rao at 133 lbs., Bruce McCrae at 120 lbs., Bob Mapes at 145 lbs., Jerry Rini at 155 lbs., Bob Konter at 165, and Bob Edelman at 103.

Among the 40 other candidates who practice every night are several promising sophomores. Of these the most outstanding are Dick Bralley, Tibby Frank, Don McCrea, Tony Pintora, Bob Goodman, and Dave Roth.

Bunn's Body Repair Shop



A few shots of Art Faber going through the new obstacle race which is playing a major part in the physical fitness program.

Photo by Loren Weiss

Splashers Prep For City Meet

by Roger Bercu

After completing a series of spirited intramural meets, Shaker's swimming team recently began to settle down and prepare for its first meet of the coming season, the City Championship Meet, at the Cleveland Club pool. The team this year is coached by George T. Lee who came to Shaker from the University of Pittsburgh where he led the Panthers' tankers to 32 consecutive victories. Mr. Lee is extremely popular with all the boys and we hope that he will be able to continue his winning streak at Shaker.

The intramural competition enabled Coach Lee to look over his material. Much of the team will probably be centered around its three returning lettermen, Wally Baker, the sprint swimmer; Chuck Parsons, and Alan Sands, the breast stroker. Craig Smith, the sensation from Heights, and Aaron Brody will greatly augment the swimmers. However, there will also be many newcomers in this year's lineup. Fred Bell, Herb Gimmel, Chuck McCrae, Danny Bloomfield, and Cliff Perryman all show promise of developing into good point-getters. The loss of Jimmy Stotter partially affected the team. Stotter, one of last year's lettermen, does not plan to swim this year as he intends to graduate in February. However, there is also a crop of good sophomore material this year to take his place. Among the soph standouts are diminutive Jerry Gorman and Jerry Moore.

Mr. Lee feels that Shaker's prospects look good, but he wouldn't be in a position to make a prediction on this year's record as he doesn't know all the merits of the other teams. However Shaker is looking forward to another good year of swimming.

Four Gridders Win Coveted Gold Award

Joe Szekely, Fritz Bowers, and Tony Trentanelli, senior back and linemen, respectively, and Chuck Wise, junior back, received gold footballs as an honor for being two year lettermen at the annual football banquet, November 24.

Five sophomores, Charlie Gruttadria, Joe Zagara, Tom Peter, Lee Kuhner, and Buddy Sheinbart were honored by receiving letters.

Juniors who won their letter were Al Roberts, Dave Hoffman, and John Weizer. Eleven seniors, Charlie Longo, Pat Day, Bill Farmer, Hugh Lichtig, Bob Johnson, Iggy Russo, Bill Oster, Jerry Rini, Coleman Menybert, Jack Taylor, and Joe Rao, won the coveted award.

Bob Clapp and Don Mitchell also received recognition in the form of a gold football for their services as two year managers. Frank Geraci, Vic Gelb, and Dan Griese also won letters as first year managers.

Fans! Here Are New Rasslin' Regulations

"Point System"

- TAKE DOWN—dropping opponent to mat and gaining control 2
- ESCAPE—getting free and gaining a neutral position.. 1
- REVERSE—going from a defensive or "bottom" position to an offensive or "top" position in a continuous movement 2

NEAR FALL—(a) holding opponent's shoulders in continuous contact with mat for a minimum of one full second; (b) or holding opponent's shoulders continuously within approximately two inches of the

Curvacious Capers

by Nancy Hess

Congratulations to Joyce Harde-man! She recently bowled 189, the highest score rolled this year by a member of the Girls' Bowling Club. But the remarkable score of Charlotte Wills, 197, which was the high for last year, is still to be exceeded.

The hockey tournament, which has now given way to volley ball, ended in a tie between the teams of Dorothy Kutis and Elaine Jackson. Each team won two games.

Shaker's All-Star hockey team is made up of the following: Florence Baggaley, Mildred Macko, Charlotte Wills, Elaine Jackson, and Mabel Heintz, forwards, with Mary Keeseecker, Julianne Strate, Betty Raney, Anita Pedone, Barbara McGulre, Bertine La Borde, Aileen Margolis, and Ann Patin in the backfield.

Some new synchronized swimming stunts will soon be presented to the girls' swimming classes by Miss LaNore Morehouse. "Some of these stunts," remarked Miss Morehouse, "are as complicated as fancy diving. To do these well, good coordination, a fine sense of balance, and diligent practice are necessary." There are about eighty of these stunts, which range from one to two points in difficulty on the national scale, listed to be used for classes. An individual must also have the ability, after he has mastered the stunts himself, to adapt his style to suit the styles of others. After this is accomplished, water ballets will be worked on.

These stunts have been presented to the Sharks Club. After-school classes will start working on them as soon as the water safety course is completed, which will be about the second week of December. The regular swimming classes will begin this work just before Christmas vacation.

The Cleveland Field Hockey Association held its annual school girls' play day at Laurel School on November 21. The twenty-two best players were selected from the teams of Shaker, Cleveland Heights, Hathaway Brown, and Laurel. These players played in exhibition games. The Association team, Mather College, and Lake Erie College also played exhibition games.

THE TIP-OFF

by Fritz Hinz

We picked this little ditty up in the Lakewood paper under the heading of "Tribute to Shaker":

Gruttadaria took the ball,
Sidestepped three, began to fall.
But fate was with him and on he went
Amidst the cheers—touchdown bent

The crowd arose unto its feet,
To see the boy who was so fleet.
They cheered him on, he passed
midfield.
Chuck looked ahead, but did not yield.

At the twenty he was away,
No one to stop him on this momentous day.
Across the goal he looked so proud
The purple was scored on—ap-
plause loud.

This lifted the morale of the red
and white,
Gave them hope and gave them
fight.
They knew what they did—none
before
Had cracked Lakewood's line, able
to score.

In the eyes of this reporter, the
obstacle race of Bunn-Moritz, Inc.,
has been anything but a success.

As a matter of fact it has been a
decided failure, for as yet we have
not seen any of the "bares" that
those traps are supposed to catch.

Doctor: You must avoid all forms
of excitement.

Raider: Gosh, Doc, can't I even
look at them on the street.

Orchids and Onions

ORCHIDS to Tony Trentanelli
who played great ball at end all
season even though pretty well
banged up.

ONIONS to Ralph O'Dea, a soph
sensation cager at East Tech last
year, who refuses to play even in-
tramural ball here. (They ought to
lynch him, yes???)

Customer: Won't you take some-
thing off for cash?

Salesgirl: Sir!!

Alumni Notes

VINCE MAROTTA, last year's
All-League back, followed "Pete"
Pederson downstate to Mt. Union,
as did Dave Roth, and Sal Russo.
Joe Sgro, backfield man of 3
or 4 years ago, has shifted to a
guard position while playing for
the Patterson Field "Pylons".
Ted Goldstein and Milt "Gimpy"
Fromson, grads of last year, have
been playing on the frosh elevens
at Ohio State and Wisconsin re-
spectively.

Review Victory Corps Curric

With so much stress being laid on educating young people for a war world, Shaker is taking steps toward planning a new curriculum which will stress preparation for work. The Victory Corps, now being established throughout the country, is enlisting the cooperation of all schools. The curriculum committee of Shaker has reviewed the requests of the Victory Corps and is now trying to plan a schedule which will help to shorten the training period of boys in the army and to prepare girls for war work.

The committee is thinking seriously about having a course in Pre-Flight Aeronautics and "refresher" courses in mathematics and science to conform to Army and Navy wishes. Such things as guidance into critical services and occupations, wartime citizenship, military drill, and production training are being stressed by the Victory Corps. The committee is looking into the curriculum. All departments are hoping to organize their work to point toward preparation for war. Special emphasis will probably be placed in English courses upon the development of fundamental reading skills, and upon clear, correct, and concise oral and written expression. Social studies classes may emphasize the teaching of democracy, the privileges of citizenship, and information concerning our American neighbors and our allies.

All these plans are as yet tentative and will not be presented to the school board until their December meeting.

Youths, Parents, Grandparents Work Side-by-Side in Shaker's Civilian Offensive

Barbara McGuire

To bring about a swifter, truer peace, three generations of Americans are working together in a co-ordinated civilian offensive. The leaders of that offensive are asking for group action and cooperation. Listed below are some of those combative units.

Teamwork is the theme of the "Block Plan," one of the greatest victory promoters now in action.

This nationwide organization was conceived under the proposition that "If your neighbor does his part, so will you." Started in Shaker by Albert Cornsweet, an intensive drive is being held this week so that the anniversary of Pearl Harbor may be celebrated by another working step towards victory.

On August 2 the first meeting of the Neighbor-Front was held on Tolland road. (Now, according to a recent report, more than 2000 items have been sent to the U. S. O. by that group.) Then Mr. Cornsweet and Mayor Van Aken took steps to spread this movement. The air raid wardens and the Women's Division of the County Salvage Committee are grouping neighborhoods into efficiently organized sections.

Citizens within these sections will meet to discuss what they can do to aid the victory effort. Of course, as a part of Civilian Defense, the "Block Plan" is under any government order and their first purpose is to carry out these orders. Other activities are bandage-making, collecting grease, old clothes, and scrap, safe-guarding health, instituting car-sharing among neighbors, procuring blood-donors, collecting books and magazines for the U. S. O., and serving

wherever, whenever needed.

A subdivision of the "Plan" is the Junior Commandos, who aid in the collections and in the distribution of the "Shaker Courier," a community paper telling of the ways in which Americans are aiding their country.

Another organization of young Americans is the Junior American Women's Volunteer Services. The Kinsman-Lee group, headed by Helen Spencer, has 380 members, of whom 100 are Shakerites. Their duties are bandage-making, caring for war-workers' children, and selling War Bonds and Stamps. After working 100 hours, the girls may buy uniforms for \$24.

About 200 Shaker boys and girls have volunteered as messengers at the city hall. Another 50 help at the United Nations War Relief located at Shaker Square.

Eight teachers have joined the armed services, one administration secretary has joined the WAVES. Three faculty members have left for war jobs and four more combine teaching with working. Some students are also working part-time in essential industries.

Several members of the faculties and administrations of the Shaker school system are air raid wardens, volunteer firemen, or nurses' aides. All of them have helped in the gas and sugar rationing and the manpower registration. A few serve on Draft Boards.

A stiff physical education course is required for Shaker boys. Other special classes will be introduced in the senior high next semester. To date, in the junior high, five new courses have been formed: making model airplanes for Army-Navy identification purposes, blue-print reading, physical conditioning, first aid, and the Far East.

Some Shaker P.-T. A.'s are responsible for the sale of War Stamp corsages. Others are working with the Red Cross and the Emergency Air Raid Canteen at Onaway school. The Lomond group has equipped the inside of an ambulance and are sending gifts to the soldiers spending Christmas in the infirmary of a nearby Army Camp. Every member of the Sussex P.-T. A. puts in at least one day a week at some sort of volunteer service.

RML Turns A Page!

Look to the Mountain is not essentially a narrative or adventure story. Although it contains excitement and drama, the memorable—and priceless—quality of the book is its description and careful study of eighteenth century life in New England. So perfect and complete is the scope with which LeGrand Cannon writes, that the world of 150 years ago is made to live and breathe and capture the reader in its wild strong spirit. What is a sturdy, self-reliant youth of New Hampshire; Melissa is a quietly moving, beautiful daughter of an innkeeper. These two, then, Whit and Melissa, marry and push off into the wilderness to live together a life of hardships and brave deeds. This is the real stuff of America; this is the greatness of America; and any book which depicts the frontier Revolutionary life of our nation as does *Look to the Mountain* deserves unlimited recommendation.

Sharp Shooters Are Aiming at Axis

If they meet a Jap in the near future, 28 boys of the Shaker High School Rifle Club will be ready, for they have been practicing marksmanship three days a week, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, under the faculty supervision of Mr. Kenneth A. Watson.

This group was organized this year to teach the younger generation something of value about firearms, thus their first Jap will be easier. Firing at targets 50 feet away many boys have become qualified for N. R. A. marksmanship awards.

The boys are not only trained by Mr. Watson but also Gene Kaber of Western Reserve University, a qualified marksman.

Not only the youngsters, soldiers in a couple of years, but also the older men of Shaker Heights are getting this valuable instruction. Once a week in the evening the Cleveland Plain Dealer has sponsored a class for adults at Shaker High School.

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